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Application Number	09/943,088
Filing Date	August 31, 2001
First Named Inventor	HANS VAN DER LAAN
Art Unit	2851
Examiner Name	Nguyen, Hung
Attorney Docket Number	081468-0282855

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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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